

He Wins a Farm.

Robert Benedict, a son of Asher M. Benedict, deceased, of Water Mill, and brother of F. E. Benedict, now residing at that place, recently had a streak of good luck. He is a veteran of the Civil War, and has for many years lived in the West, returning to his home on a visit some two years since. Last fall the Government offered a tract of land in the fine wheat belt of South Dakots, consisting of 5,000 farms of 160 acres each, to be drawn for by old soldiers. Mr. Benedict was one of 40,000 of those to put in an application, and he has just learned that he is one of the lucky ones, he draw. ing 160 acres. As a requisite the Government requires a five-year occupation of the land, less the term of service in the army, before giving title, but deducting Mr. Benedict's claim of service in the army, he will only have to occupy fourteen months before he can claim full possession. Mr. Benedict and his wife and his son and his wife, take possession immediately. We congratulate our friend and former townsmen on his good luck.